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1. THE FOLLOWING IS BIO DATA ON GOL REPRESENTATIVE FOR
PRESIDENCY POSITIONS ON CIEC COMMISSIONS.

2. FINANCE COMMISSION: CO-CHAIRMAN (PRESIDENCY) --ALBERT
DONDELINGER. MR. DONDELINGER IS THE BANKING COMMISSIONER,
I. E. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE GOL COMMISSION FOR THE
CONTROL OF BANKING ACTIVITIES, A POSITION WHICH HE HAS
OCCUPIED SINCE 1968. THE BANKING COMMISSION'S
RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE ELEMENTS OF THOSE EXERCISED IN THE
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COMMISSION, TREASURY DEPARTMENT AND CONTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY. DURING MR. DONDELINGER'S TENURE, LUXEMBOURG HAS DEVELOPED INTO A MAJOR INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL CENTER WITH A TOTAL OF EIGHTY BANKS REPRESENTED HERE. THE COMMISSION HAS JUST CELEBRATED ITS THIRTIETH ANNIVERSARY WITH CONSIDERABLE LOCAL PUBLICITY. MR. DONDELINGER HOSTED THE VISIT OF JAMES E. SMITH, U. S. CONTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, ON JANUARY 15 AND 16 DURING THE LATTER'S FIRST VISIT HERE. AS A LEADING MEMBER OF THE LUXEMBOURG DELEGATION TO IMF/IBRD MEETINGS, MR. DONDELINGER HAS BEEN A FREQUENT VISITOR TO THE UNITED STATES AND SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH IN ADDITION TO FRENCH AND GERMAN. HE IS HIGHLY REGARDED IN THE FINANCIAL COMMUNITY HERE. HE IS GREGARIOUS BY NATURE AND ALSO SEEMS TO ENJOY PUBLIC FOCUS ON HIS VERY IMPORTANT ROLE IN LUXEMBOURG LOCAL AND INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES. MR. DONDELINGER WAS BORN ON MARCH 22, 1934, AND HAS A DOCTOR OF LAW DEGREE FROM LOUVAIN UNIVERSITY, BELGIUM. HE IS DIVORCED.

3. FINANCE COMMISSION: HEAD OF DELEGATION -- PIERRE JAANS. MR. JAANS IS THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE GOL BANKING COMMISSION, A POST CREATED ESPECIALLY FOR HIM. JAANS IS BEING GROOMED AS A DEPUTY TO ALBERT DONDELINGER. JAANS RETURNED TO LUXEMBOURG IN EARLY 1975 AFTER LIVING FIFTEEN YEARS OUTSIDE THE GRAND DUCHY. HE WORKED FOR TEN YEARS AT BUNDES BANK IN WEST GERMANY AND THREE YEARS ON THE FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE OECD. HE IS, THEREFORE, THE FINANCIAL SPECIALIST ON DONDELINGER'S STAFF WITH THE WIDEST EXPERIENCE. ALTHOUGH SLIGHTLY RESERVED OF MANNER, JAANS IS ARTICULATE, FRIENDLY WITH AMERICANS, MORE INFORMATIVE AND LESS CAUTIOUS POLITICALLY THAN DONDELINGER. JAANS IS 39 YEARS OLD, MARRIED TO AN ECONOMIST AND SPEAKS EXCELLENT ENGLISH, FRENCH AND GERMAN.

4. ENERGY COMMISSION: HEAD OF DELEGATION -- ERIC CONROT. MR. CONROT HAS BEEN CALLED OUT OF RETIREMENT TO ASSIST THE GOL IN STAFFING ITS PRESIDENCY REQUIREMENTS. FOR MANY YEARS MR. CONROT WAS DIRECTOR OF THE LUXEMBOURG CONFEDERATION OF STEEL INDUSTRIES. IN THAT CAPACITY, HE REPRESENTED LUXEMBOURG AT THE EUROPEAN COAL AND STEEL COMMUNITY AND SERVED ON VARIOUS INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEES DEALING WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE STEEL INDUSTRY. MR. CONROT WAS BORN IN 1909, EDUCATED IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM AND IS A COMMERCIAL ENGINEER BY TRAINING. HE IS MARRIED WITH TWO CHILDREN AND SPEAKS A GOOD, BUT ACCENTED ENGLISH. FARKAS

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